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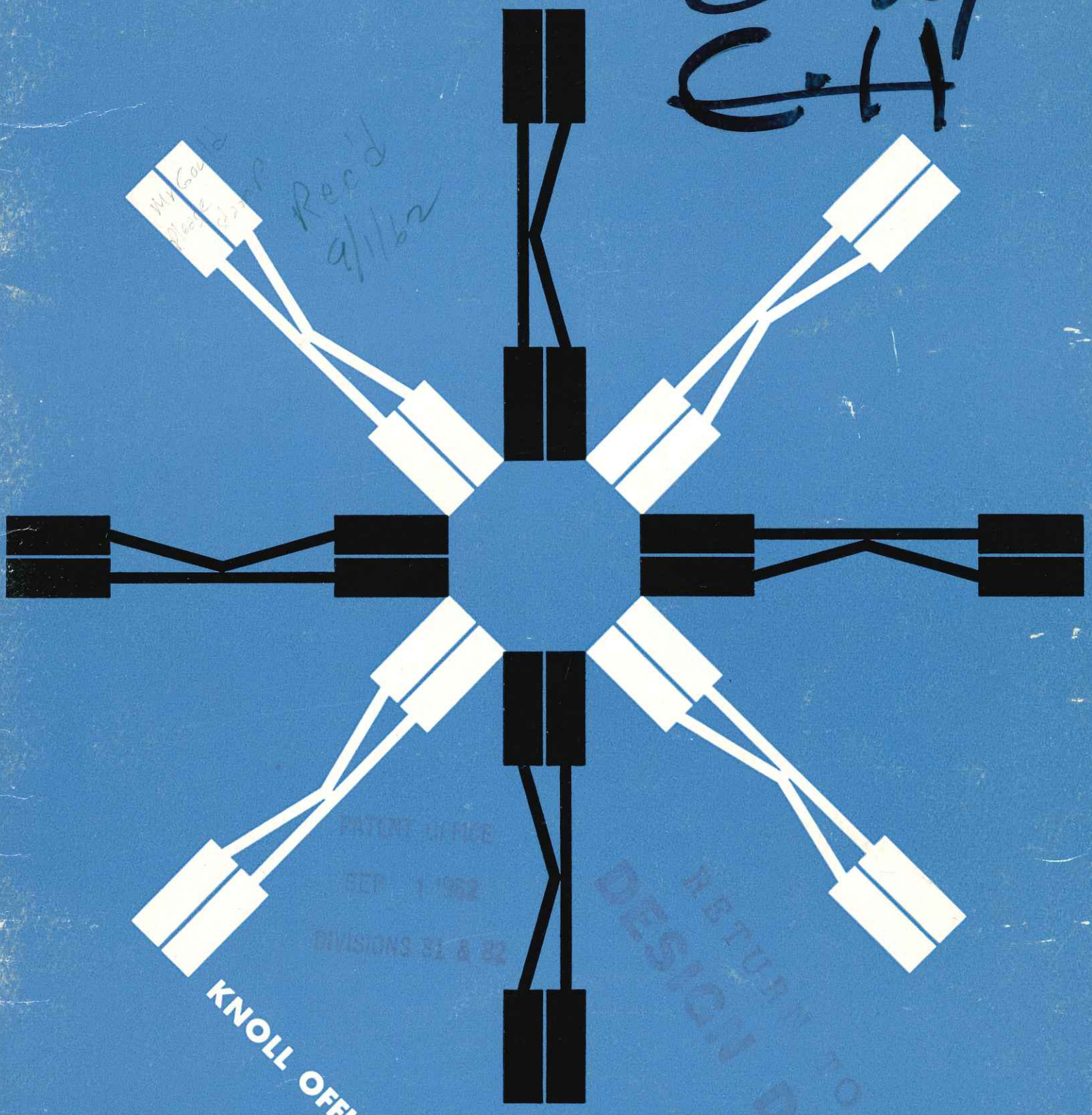

KNOLL OFFICE PLANNED FURNITURE

Office furniture designed with new standards of simplicity and grace is developed by the Knoll Planning Unit under the direction of Florence Knoll through long research and experience in solving the practical needs of hundreds of offices, from those of top executives to the requirements in a secretarial pool.

Desks consist of a strong metal frame which supports innumerable combinations of working surfaces and storage space. A variety of storage combinations with single pencil drawer, or choice of two or three suspended drawers are supported on the frame on either right or left or both sides, determined by personal preference or practical needs.

Secretarial desks are L-shaped in design to provide maximum work area and consist of regular desk-height work surface and lower typewriter platform. Versatile drawer and cabinet storage suitable to needs of varying personnel are available. Typewriter unit may be placed to the right or left.

Cabinets with sliding doors provide separate storage and act as a catch-all behind the desk. Set at the desk level, work surfaces are doubled. The cabinets are equipped with adjustable shelves, files, drawers, a sliding tray for dictaphone or a unit of four small drawers.

Conference tables of all sizes and shapes are designed for group discussion. The boat-shape is popular because it curves graciously to give better vision of each end. Table desks are rectangular, square or round and are designed for offices or conference rooms.

Chairs designed by architect Eero Saarinen are made of molded plastic, cushioned with foam rubber, and may be had with either legs or swivel base. Comfort and efficiency are found in a posture chair for secretarial use, desk chairs, guest and conference chairs, low-seating groups for executive offices.

Accessories. Lamps, letter trays and desk calendars are designed to complete the office plan of simplicity and lightness of appearance.

The Knoll Planning Unit has sought personal solutions for working needs in these simple and clean-cut units. At the same time, it continues to produce special designs for special offices. Some of the most recent of these special interiors are shown on the last pages of this catalog.

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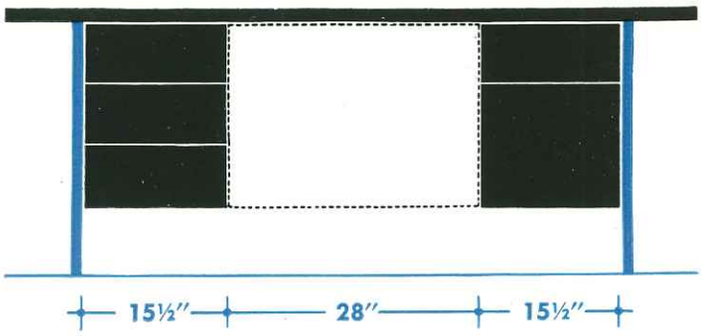
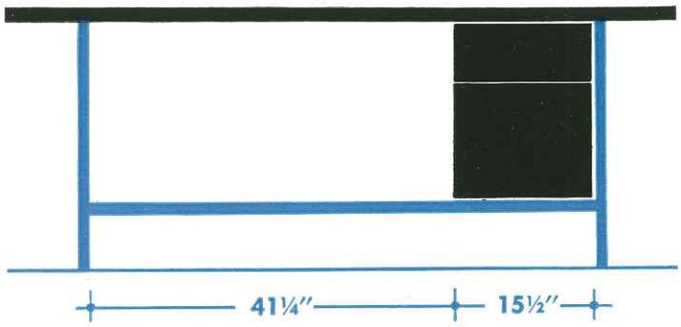
Columbia Broadcasting System, Inc., reception room, Florence Knoll design.

EXECUTIVE DESKS

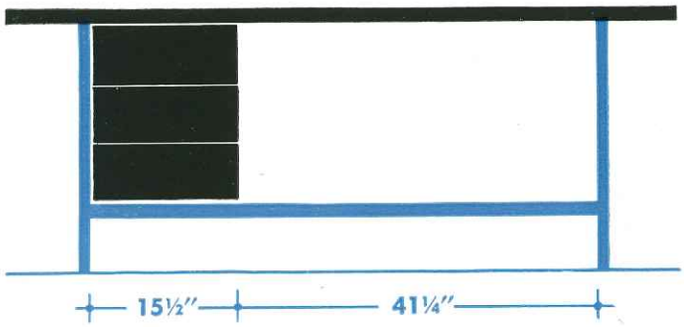


1503 Double Pedestal



1504 Two drawer, right

1505 Two drawer, left



1506 Three drawer, right

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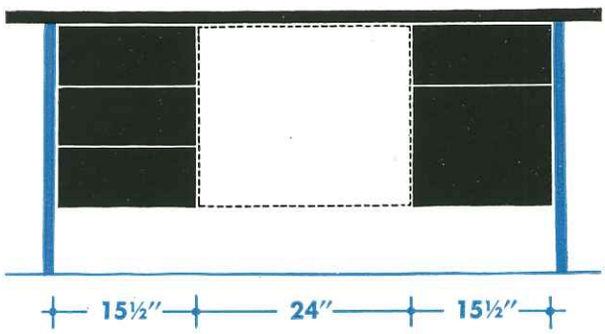
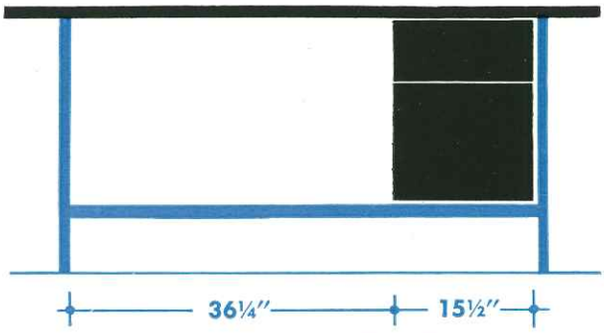
SMALL EXECUTIVE DESKS

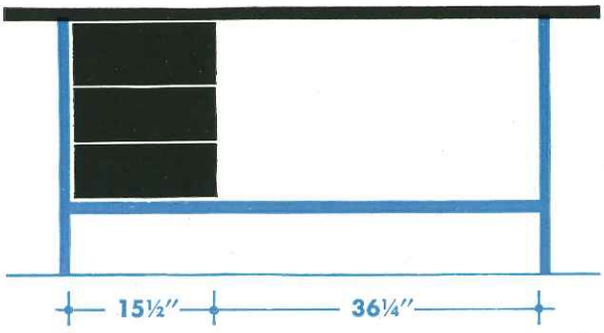


1513 Double Pedestal



1514 Two drawer, right

1515 Two drawer, left



1516 Three drawer, right

1517 Three drawer, left

36″ x 76″

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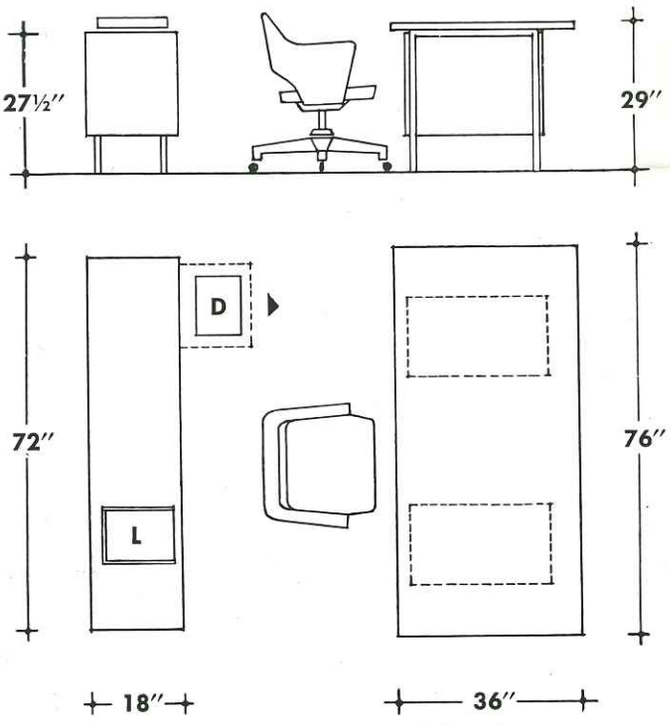
Desk tops are available in various wood and plastic finishes. Steel bases have black oxide or chrome finishes. Wood bases are walnut (see pp. 23-25). With or without matching or woven cane kneehole panels.

32″ x 66″

Executive desk 1503

1503 EKE-O3 Kneehole panel may be added on desks

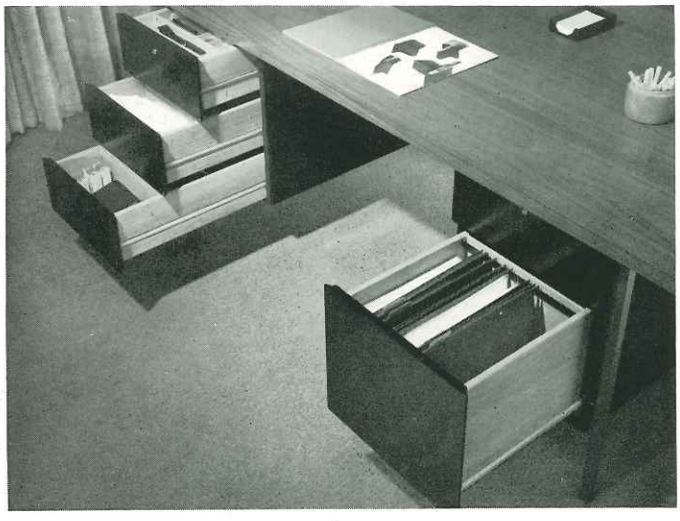


Parallel working space

L = Letter Tray

D = Dictaphone Slide

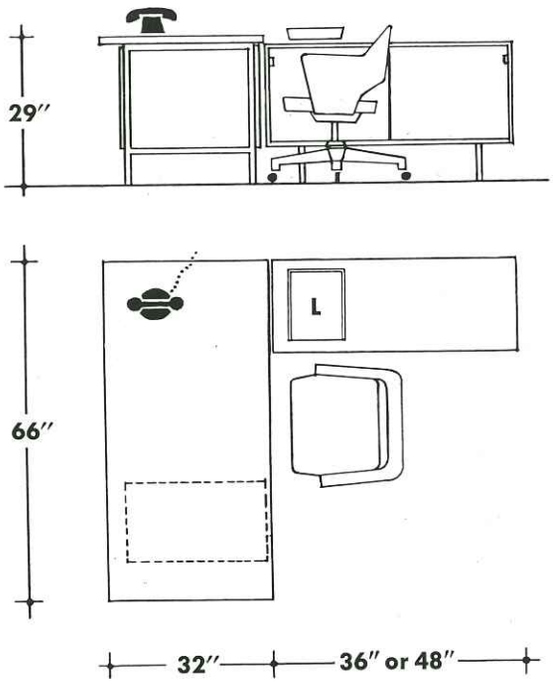
Small Executive desk 1515



Two and three drawer detail.

Drawers have metal extension slides.

L-shaped working space



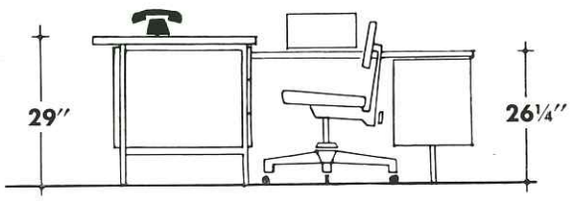
Cabinet at side or behind desk substitutes for telephone table, book case, work table and storage cabinet.

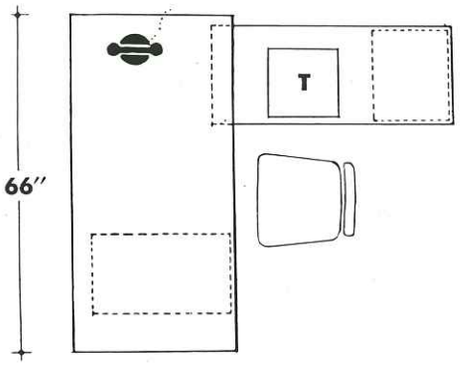
Shows parallel working space

Shows L-shaped working space

L-shaped executive secretarial desks

1543 WKP-4





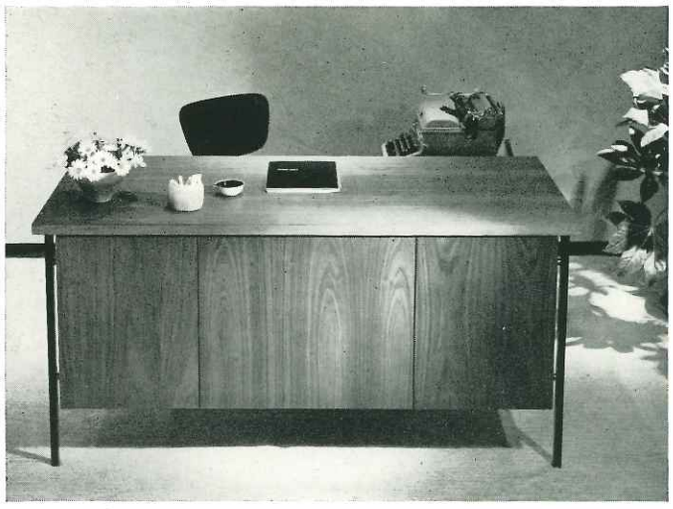
Pedestal in typewriter platform has three stationery trays, fifteen stationery dividers, six envelope spaces. With or without matching, or woven cane kneehole panel.

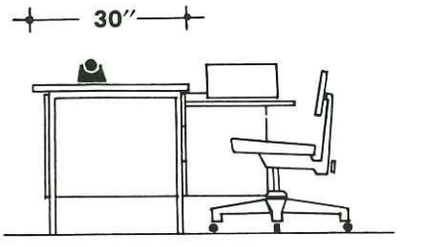
1543 typewriter platform right, three drawers

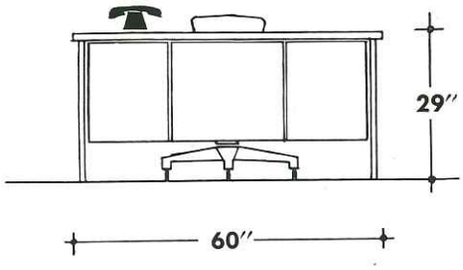
1544 typewriter platform left, three drawers

T = Typewriter

Secretarial desks, disappearing typewriter mechanism







1523WKW-2

1523 typewriter pedestal left, three drawers

1524 typewriter pedestal right, three drawers

1525 typewriter pedestal left, two drawers

1526 typewriter pedestal right, two drawers

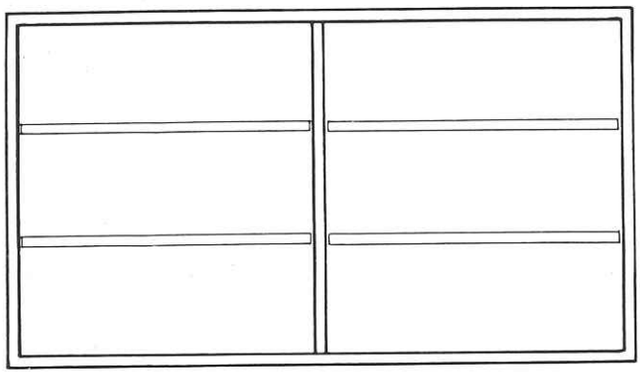
Available with or without matching kneehole panel.

Both desks available with walnut bases (see pp. 95-97).

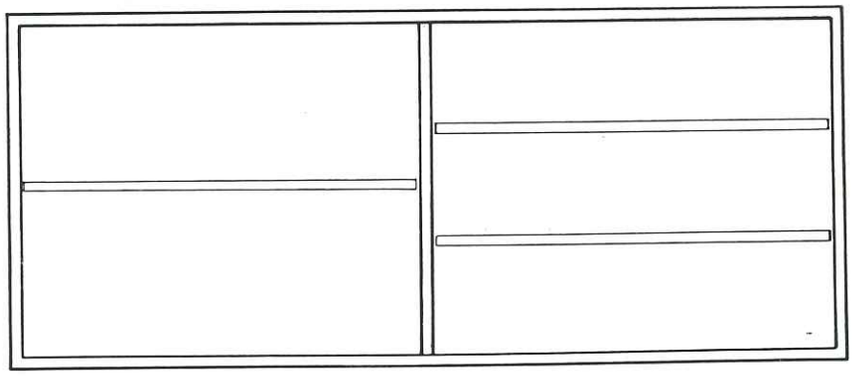
1543W

1523W

540 Cabinet with adjustable shelves



542 Cabinet with adjustable shelves

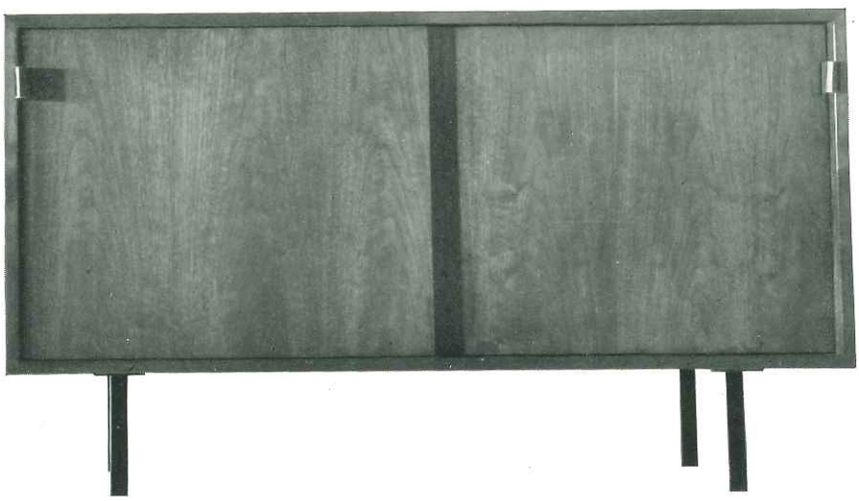


For separate storage, this series of cabinets have been developed to be used in conjunction with executive conference table or desk. The cabinets are planned for three types of arrangement, in an L-shaped with table desk, placed either right or left, or in the rear of working surface directly in back of chair for easy access to papers or dictaphone. **(See pages 78 and 79.)**

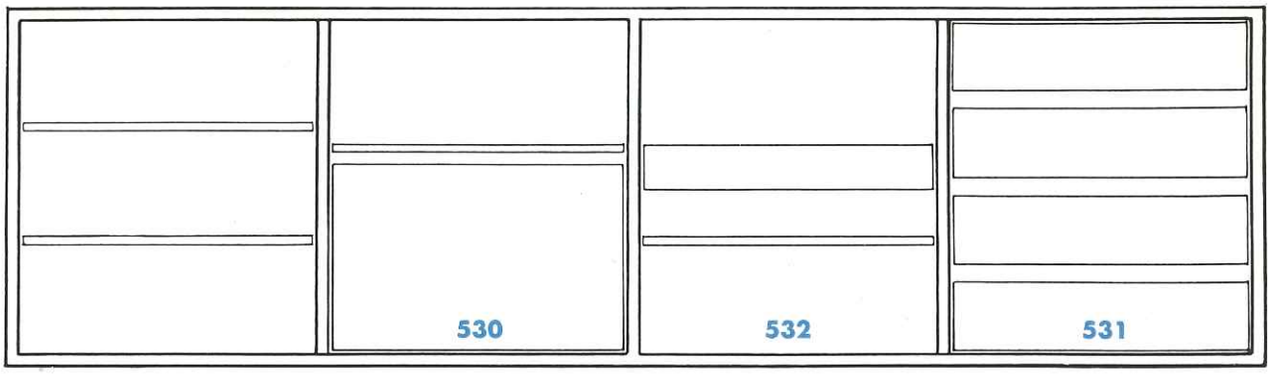
Their height is such that they can slide under overhang of desk top. They may also be used as hanging cabinets. Sliding doors with leather pulls operate smoothly on noiseless fibre track. Legs are made of square steel tubing with black oxide or chrome finishes. Cabinets are available in various wood or plastic finishes. Sliding doors available in wood, plastic or cane.

540 36″

542 48″



541 Cabinet with adjustable shelves, or variable inserts shown



Pendaflex file insert with metal extension slides

Sliding tray for dictaphone

4 tray drawers

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These inserts shown are additional and have been developed for greater efficiency and utility. They may be incorporated into any of the three standard cabinets. Each standard cabinet compartment is equipped with two shelves.

541 72"

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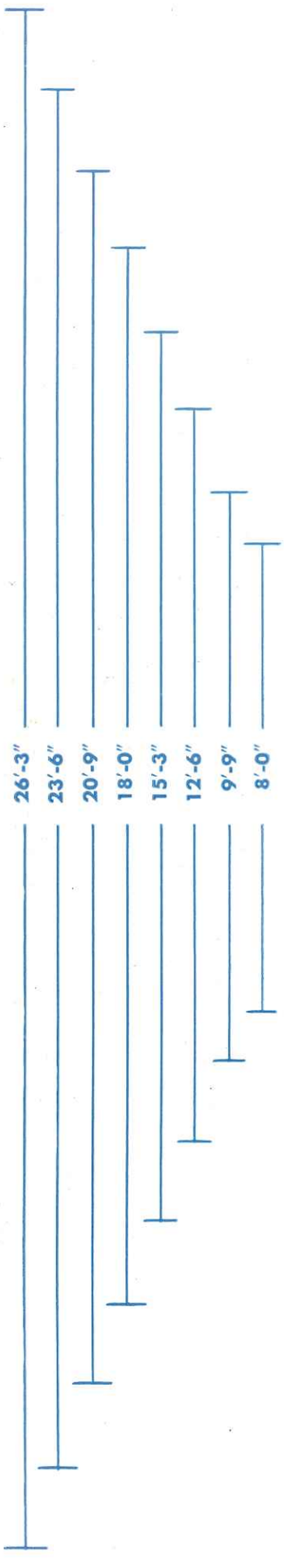
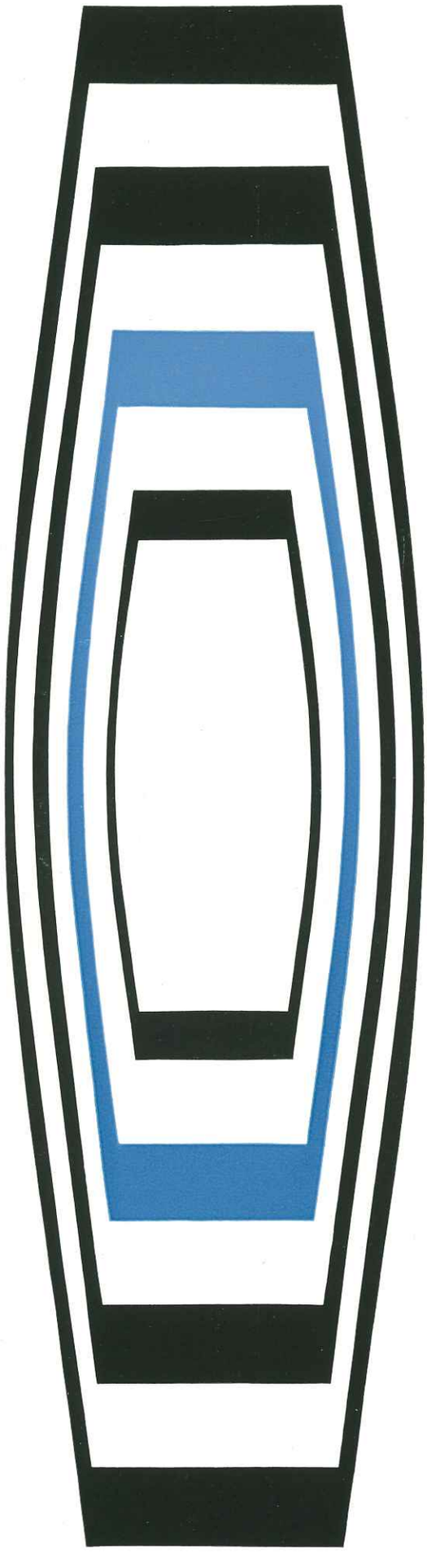
532 dictaphone tray drawer standard compartment, two adjustable shelves 531 tray drawers

Cabinets 541, 72" and 540, 36" shown with inserts, left to right

530 file drawer **531 tray drawers**

Cabinets 541, 72" and 540, 36" shown with inserts, left to right





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Conference tables in a practical boat-shape are designed to meet requirements of group discussion. Table and chair bases in metal or wood. Choice of cherry, teak or other wood by special order.

580 Conference table 8' x 40" x 30" x 28½"H

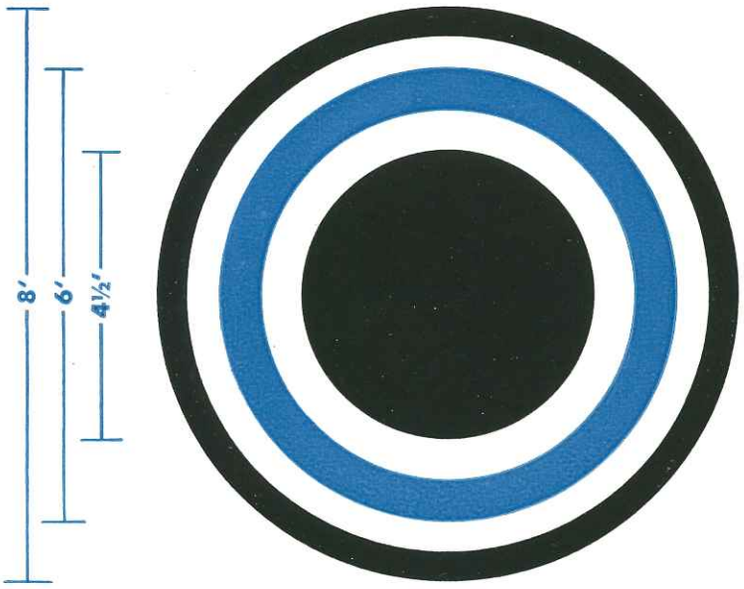
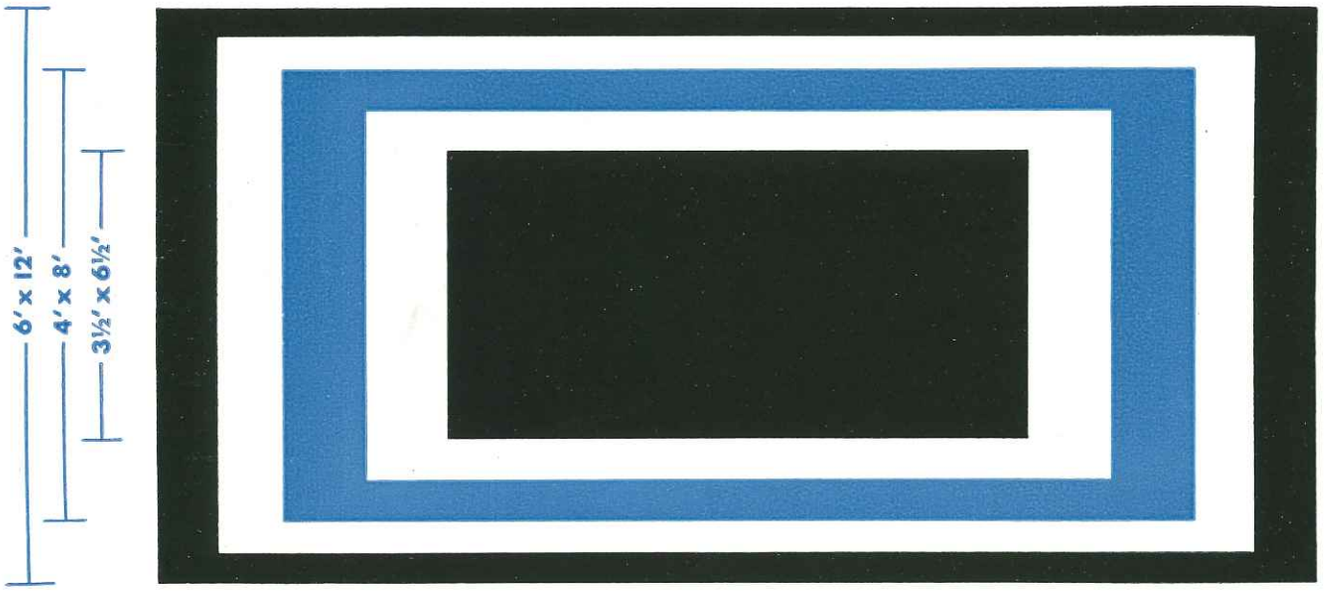
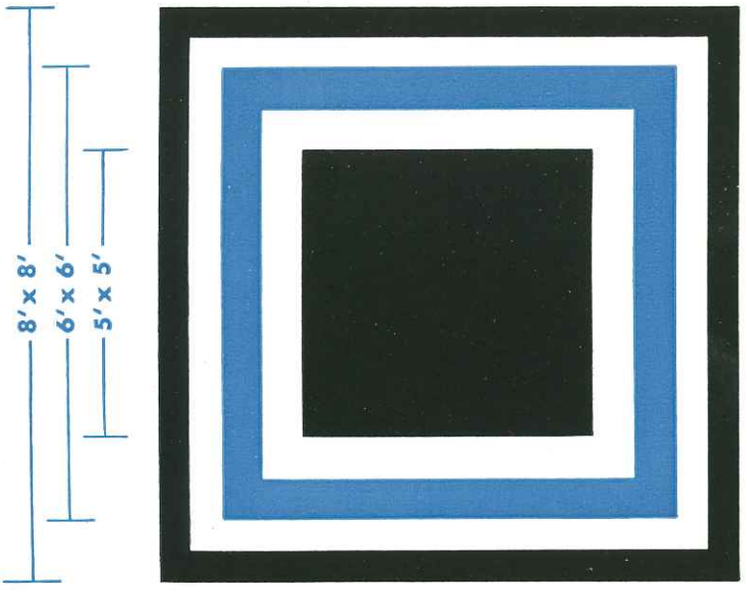


Table desks are round, rectangular, or square depending on particular needs and preferences and are designed for offices or conference rooms.





Tops are available in standard wood finishes or in solid teak, cherry, walnut, or marble by special order with wood or metal bases.

Office for an executive who prefers friendly round desk table. It is furnished with comfortable seating units for informal conferences. Cabinet at side of sofa contains usual desk storage within easy reach.

Rectangular desk or conference table is versatile and is used here also as a study table in a library.

Square table desk is convenient for conference use. Storage cabinets behind contain files, dictaphone, slide and other storage leaving surface free. (See pages 10-13.)

71S

71UBC

71ULB

71USB

Executive and conference chairs

72US

72UBC

72ULB

76S

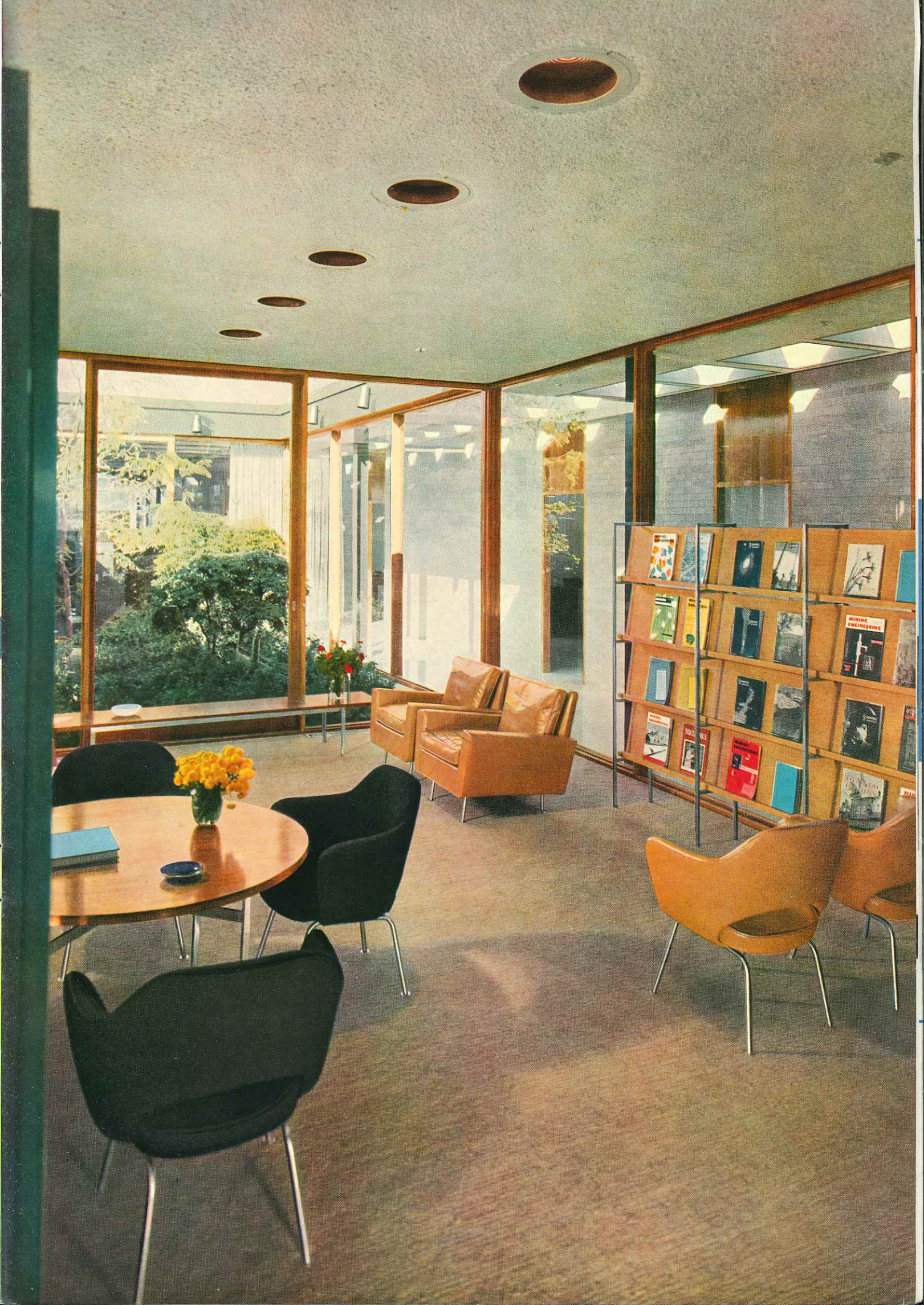
Clerical and secretarial chairs

Above: Executive Office, Columbia Broadcasting System, Inc.

Florence Knoll, designer.

Right: Conference room and library designed by Knoll Planning Unit.

Schlumberger Research center. Philip Johnson, architect.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Secretarial area designed by the Knoll Planning Unit, Center for the Advanced Study in Behavioral Sciences, Inc. Palo Alto, California. Wurster, Bernardi and Emmons, Architects.

WOOD BASE DESKS

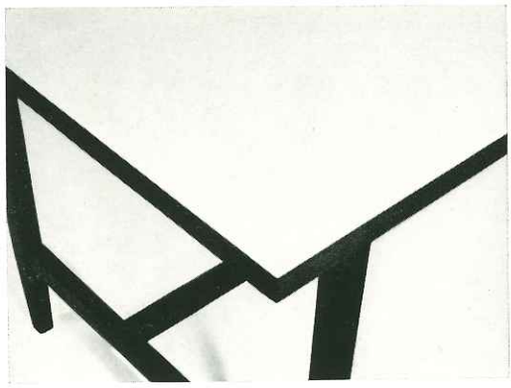
1510WR, table desk

3503EWR, large executive desk

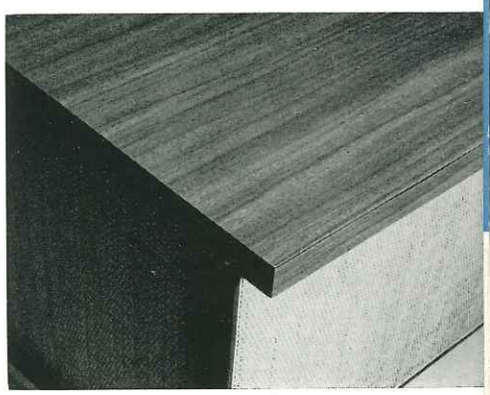
3516WR, small executive desk

All wood base desks and cabinets are available in the same variations as those with metal bases. See pp. 2-13.

WV Walnut veneer top, walnut edge



GP Grey plastic laminate top, walnut edge



WR Walnut plastic laminate top and edge

Conference room, Bank of the Southwest, Houston, Texas **Knoll Planning Unit Design**

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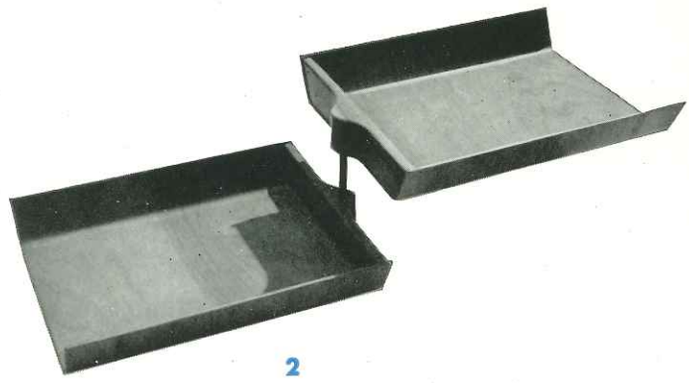
9 Lamp

Isamu Noguchi design



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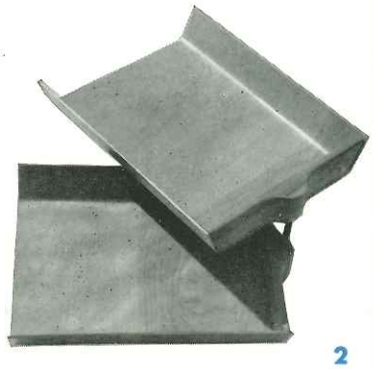

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1 Single letter tray

2 Double letter tray

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8 Desk lamp*

Clay Michie design

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Desk calendar

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